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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 377

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Mr. Bradley Dugger  
for professional achievement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those persons who, through their contributions to public service, have distinguished themselves as state leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Mr. Bradley Dugger, Chief of Information Services for the state of Tennessee, who was recently named the 1999 Public Official of the Year by *Governing* magazine; and

WHEREAS, this prestigious award is given annually in recognition of outstanding achievement at the state and local levels; and

WHEREAS, Bradley has served with probity at the local and state levels of government. As chief of information systems since 1987, his Office for Information Resources (OIR) is responsible for all information and telecommunications policy and direction for state government; and

WHEREAS, during his illustrious tenure at the helm of OIR, he has held several important national positions, including as president of the National Association of Information Resources Executives (NASIRE), and he is the current chair of the Intergovernmental Relations Committee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dugger also lends his time and remarkable talents as a member of the Federal/State Y2K Policy Committee and the Technology Advisory Council for the General Accounting Office; and

WHEREAS, he continues to devise innovations and seize upon and support creative ideas from his staff to implement programs that other chief information officers often try to emulate; and

WHEREAS, in the past decade Bradley Dugger has been solely responsible for setting standards that allow state agencies to work efficiently and share information across departments; he has also played an integral role in establishing a revolving fund for technology to allow agencies to stay abreast of technological advances; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dugger epitomizes the spirit and commitment that is characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, his many honors and accolades aside, Bradley is most grateful for the love and encouragement he shares with his loving wife, Laurel; their children, Susie and Cindy, and their six grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it expedient to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud this inimitable man for his dedication to the state of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend Mr. Bradley Dugger on receiving the *Governing* magazine's 1999 Public Official of the Year Award, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.